

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the careful consideration given the application.

Claims 1-4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,723,331 (Weiss). Claims 1-5 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 2,942,280 (May). Claims 1, 2 and 5 have been amended to overcome the cited references. Claim 5 is now dependent from new claim 2. Claims 3-4 have been cancelled.

The Examiner stated that claims 6-8 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 6 is now written in independent form. Claims 7 and 8 depend from claim 6. Accordingly, claims 6-8 should now be allowed.

Claim 9 has been amended to be dependent from new claim 5.

Claims 10 and 12-15 were previously allowed.

Claims 16-20 have been cancelled.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all the claims are now in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge the said fees to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. 34200.

Respectfully submitted,

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